



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

John Vivian WOOD et al

Art Unit: 3731

Application No: 09/514,759

Examiner:
Michael H. Thaler

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For: A BIOCOMPATIBLE GRIPPING DEVICE

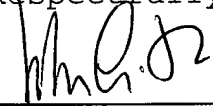
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

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Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for three months' extension of time, i.e. until April 8, 2003, for reply to the Office Action dated October 8, 2002, under 37 CFR 1.136(a). A check that includes \$930 for the fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(3) is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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